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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 21st June 2024

Free training for Indian Army, other uniform services' aspirants

Mysuru, June 21 (BS)- Backward Classes Welfare Department has invited applications for free guidance and training from eligible candidates belonging to different categories, aspiring to join Indian Army and other uniform services from the State, for the year 2024-25.

Male candidates belonging to Backward Classes Category-1, 2(A), 3(A) and 3(B), with family income not exceeding Rs. 2.5 lakh per annum for Category 1 and Rs. 1 lakh annual income for candidates belonging to remaining categories, are eligible to apply.

They should have passed SSLC with at least 33 marks in each subject and aggregate of 45 percent. If the marks are allotted in grading system, they should be equivalent to the grade mentioned above. The training will be provided in Dakshina Kannada, Udupi and Uttara Kannada districts and the candidates should select either one of the three districts and submit the filled in applications to the Office of Backward Classes Welfare either in person or by registered post.

The last date to submit duly filled in application is July 10. For details contact Ph: 0824-2225078 (Dakshina Kannada district), 0820-2574881 (Udupi) or 08382-226589 (Uttara Kannada district) or visit Department website *https://bcwd.karnataka.gov.in*, according to a press release from the District Officer of Backward Classes Welfare Department.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Two cardinal principles in the dynamic spiritual science of yog are movement and awareness. Both are not separate entities; they coexist and complement each other. The first principle in yog is movement in balance with awareness. Life is a movement, not a stagnant pool. It is like riding a bicycle. To maintain balance, one must keep pedalling without tilting and falling on either side.

The body acquires sickness if it remains in one place. Movement, both vertical and horizontal is, therefore, necessary to prevent the build-up of harmful substances that will cause disease within the body. The only way we could live a lifetime of fluid and painless mobility would be to acknowledge that we are more than just a skeleton with moving components. Humans are made of layers upon layers of connective tissues that move and eventually develop patterns of movement based on our ingrained behaviours and programming.

In Hath Yog, the asan and pranayam facilitate greater movement, triggering enhanced awareness. Asanas stimulate internal organs such as the muscles, bones and cells, whereas other forms of physical exercise activate the external parts of the body. Through asans, the toxic elements accumulated in the cells are burnt. The blood is purified, new energy is infused, and fresh oxygen is injected. We must love how our bones and muscles move through space and time: flexing, stretching, bending, twisting, pivoting, turning, reaching, folding — the list of amazing and enjoyable actions that are effective and effortless is endless.

To assist us in moving freely, a functional movement approach to asan practice that helps us logically, imaginatively and methodically can strengthen and stretch, stabilise and mobilise, unwind and unbind.

The purpose of pranayam is to cleanse the subtle nerve centres and manipulate the pranic currents to bring about change in consciousness.

Both asan and pranayam activate the inner and outer movement of the body with more awareness, which in turn facilitates more movement. This transformative process of movement and awareness, perfectly synchronised, not only brings balance within ourselves but also with the outer environment. All movement in awareness and awareness in movement happen to achieve a state of calmness. This is the essence of yog. *—K.V. Raghupathi in The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

The world's tallest rideable bicycle

Paris: Two French biking enthusiasts recently set a new Guinness World Record for the 'tallest rideable bicycle' by building a 7.77-meter (25 ft 5 in) behemoth that can (barely) be ridden.

Nicolas Barrioz and David Peyrou came up with the idea for the world's tallest bicycle 5 years ago, while drinking at a pub, but they actually decided to go through with the project and spent months putting together a plan to make it work. Made from metal alloy, steel, and wood, the unique bike took hundreds of hours to complete in a way that made it rideable, even for a short distance. It may not seem like a challenge, but building a 25-foot rideable bicycle is definitely not as easy as riding a bike. For example, the pedals are connected to the wheels via a 16-meter (53-ft) chain, and because of its extreme height, the bicycle has to move at a speed of around 15-20 km/h (9-12 mph) for the rider to maintain balance.

Floating corpse turns out to be napping man

Hyderabad: The residents of a village in Andhra Pradesh recently called the Police about a floating human body in their pond, but it turned out to be a man taking a nap and cooling off on a hot summer day.

The people of Reddypuram Kovelakunta, in Andhra Pradesh State, didn't immediately panic and call the Police when they noticed a motionless human body in their pond. They tried calling out to it and as the body didn't move until 12 pm, they finally decided to call the authorities. A Police unit and emergency services rushed to the scene, where they discovered a human body floating in the water. Only what looked like a corpse turned out to be an inebriated man napping in the water after a gruelling 10-day work stint at a local quarry.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Thyroid problems cause decreased fertility, increased risk of abortions, affects baby's growth and development. Get your thyroid hormone levels checked before planning pregnancy.

By Dr. Amulya K.G, - Consultant - Obstetrics & Gynaecology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Article writing contest on 'Samskrutika Nayaka Basavanna'

Mysuru, June 21- As part of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Jayanti, the JSS Mahavidyapeetha is conducting an article writing contest in Kannada on the topic *'Samskrutika Nayaka Basavanna'* for college students (2023-24) of Mysuru, Chamarajanagar, Mandya, Hassan and Kodagu districts.

The contest will be held under three categories — PUC, Degree and PG Degree.

The articles must be of their own and be in the range of 6-8 pages. Only a maximum of three entries from a college are accepted. The articles, along with attestation from the college head, must be addressed to the Director, Publications Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Jagadguru Dr. Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Circle, Mysuru-4, before July 13.

For details call Ph:0821-2548211/223 or 0821-2548212/224, according to a press release.

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Today's Outflow **467 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Yoga originated in ancient India over 5,000 years ago as a philosophical and spiritual practice. It was a significant aspect of several Indian philosophical systems, including Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism, where it was used to promote spiritual growth and understanding.***
- ***The world's largest yoga lesson had 1,00,984 attendees.***
- ***The world's oldest yoga teacher taught yoga until she was 101.***
- ***The word "yoga" comes from Sanskrit and it means "union."***
- ***Savasana is one of the most difficult yoga poses to master.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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Old woman: *But both my legs are of the same age doctor!*

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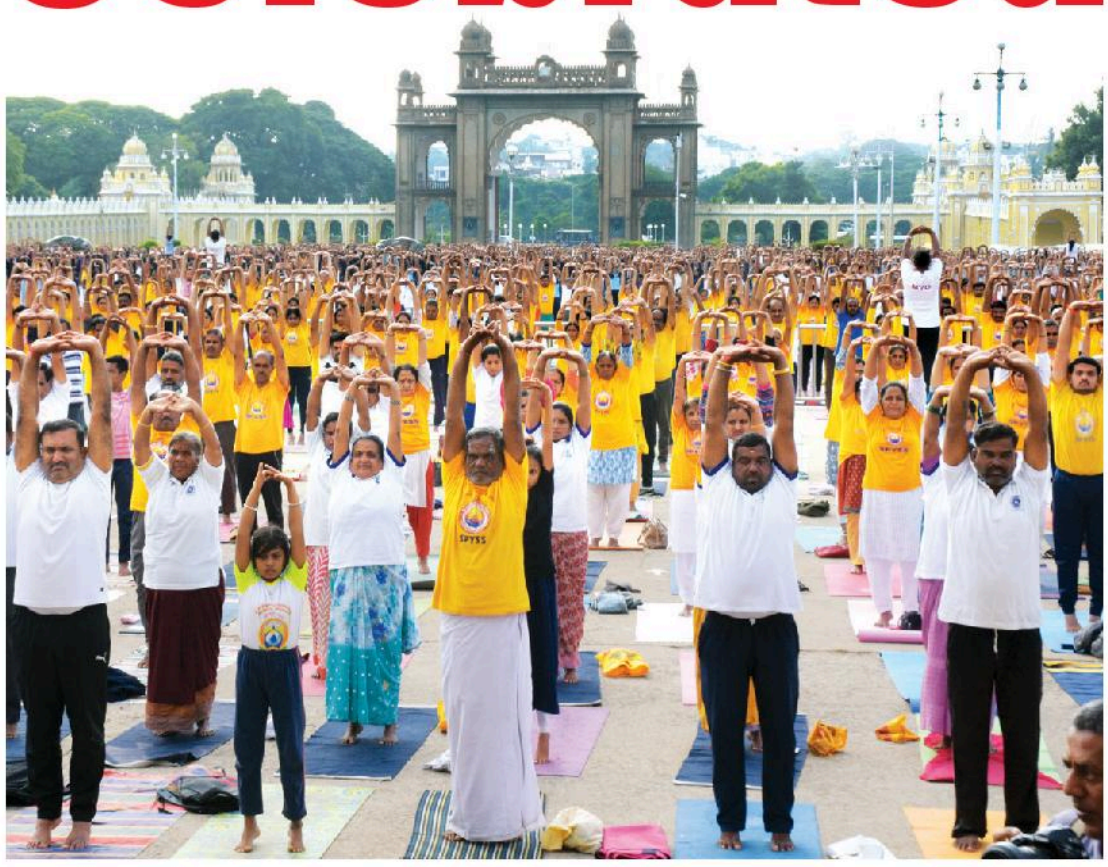
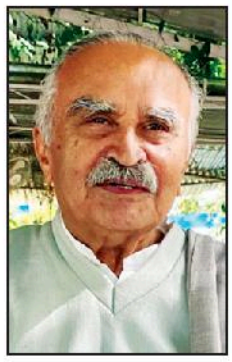


Yoga enthusiasts seen performing yogasanas during the 10th International Day of Yoga celebrations held at Mysore Palace premises in city this morning.

Ponoo Muthanna of Pelican Pub passes away



Mysuru, June 21- Chonira Ponoo Muthanna (86) of Pelican Pub on Hunsur Road, Mysuru, passed away in the early hours of today in city.

He is survived by his sister and a host of relatives and friends.

Cortege will leave from Sambhram Apartments on Gokulam Road tomorrow (June 22) at 11.30 am to Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam where cremation will be held, according to family sources.

Yoga enthusiasts gather at parks, grounds, schools, colleges, service organisations to perform asanas

Mysuru, June 21 (RK&VNS)- Mysuru, renowned as the Yoga Capital of the State, celebrated the 10th International Day of Yoga with devotion and dedication today. Yoga enthusiasts from all walks of life gathered at various parks across the city, performing yogasanas as per the prescribed protocol. Numerous schools, colleges and service clubs also held yoga events.

At Mysore Palace, the central venue for the International Day of Yoga, thousands of yoga enthusiasts from various institutions, including JSS Mahavidyapeetha, GSS Foundation, Pathanjali Yoga Sikshana Kendra and Mysore Yoga Federation, assembled as early as 6.30 am to participate in the mass yoga celebrations.

The event, themed 'Yoga for Self and Society,' emphasised the dual role of yoga in promoting individual and societal well-being. It aimed to encourage grassroots participation and the spread of yoga in rural areas.

The celebrations began with the blowing of conch, followed by prayers. Participants then performed various asanas, including *Tadasana, Vrukshasana, Padahastasana, Ardha Chakrasana, Trikonasana, Bhadrasana, Vajrasana, Shashankasana, Makarasana, Bhujangasana, Shalabhasana,* and *Shavasana* for 25 minutes.

(See YOGA on page 6)

M.G. Road Traffic Bottleneck REMOVED

Mysuru, June 21 (RK&BCT)- M.G. Road has finally become clutter-free, presenting a completely transformed scene.

Once plagued by traffic snarls due to haphazardly parked vegetable-laden vehicles, wandering vendors, roadside vegetable sales, foraging cattle and stray dogs, the busy road now offers a neat and orderly view. This improvement is thanks to the intervention of top district officials and the diligent monitoring by the City Police and Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) staff.

(See M.G. ROAD on page 7)

Chaotic M.G. Road a few days ago.

Cleared M.G. Road this morning.

NEWS BRIEFS

Inter-School chess tournament

Great Minds Chess Academy (GMCA) in association with Rotary School, Dattagalli, is organising Inter-School Chess Tournament at Rotary School in Dattagalli on June 23. The tournament will be held in 3 categories: 1st to 4th Std, 5th to 7th std and 8th to 10th std. Trophies will be given to top 5 boys and girls in each category. Best school trophy and trophy for Youngest Boy and Girl will be awarded. Interested may register their names on Mob: 84310-56237 or 86602-30481 by June 22.

Registration for artistes ID card

The Department of Kannada and Culture has begun the registration process to issue identification cards for folk artistes in Mysuru district. Artistes can submit their details and photograph along with the duly filled application to the Department within June 26. Those, who have not registered with Department have been instructed to register. For details, contact Ph: 0821- 2513225.

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Conservation of Kukkarahalli Lake

INTACH to hold Stakeholder Workshop in city tomorrow

Mysuru, June 21 (BCT)- A Stakeholder Workshop on the Conservation of Kukkarahalli Lake, organised by the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), will take place tomorrow (June 22) at the Mysore School of Architecture, Dattagalli, near R.T. Nagar, adjacent to Ring Road in the city.

The Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru Dr. K.V. Rajendra will be the chief guest. Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Chairman K. Marigowda will be the guest of honour. The workshop starts at 9.30 am.

The workshop will be an assembly of key stakeholders of Kukkarahalli Lake and will discuss and address major conservation and management issues concerning the Lake. The agenda includes a formal inauguration and guest addresses, followed by presentations on the Lake's significant conservation and management challenges.

The inaugural remarks (Database Presentation on Kukkarahalli Lake) will be made by Manu Bhatnagar, Principal Director of INTACH and Prof. D.S. Ramakrishna Rao, Principal Architect of Desirazu Associates, Mysuru.

Prof. N.S. Rangaraju, retired professor from the Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, University of Mysore, will speak on the historical aspects of Kukkarahalli Lake.

Dr. R. Yadupathi Putty, a hydrology and water resource expert, will speak on Lake water management and hydrology.

U.N. Ravi Kumar, a wetland expert, will discuss the rejuvenation and management of the Dewan Poornaiah Canal. Later, the Mysore School of Architecture will do a presentation followed by remarks from Asif Iqbal Khaleel, Chief Engineer, Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board.

Following this, Saptha Girish, an environmentalist and biodiversity expert, will speak on the biodiversity management of Kukkarahalli Lake.

To conclude, conservation biologist Dr. Mewa Singh will give his remarks, followed by working group discussions and open recommendations.

For details, contact Nitish Panwar, Consultant, INTACH on Mob: 84396-24271 or e-mail *nitish05k@gmail.com*

Complaint to Lokayukta against MUDA's DPR deal with INTACH

Mysuru, June 21 (BCT)- The Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) awarded a tender to the New Delhi-based Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) to prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the conservation and rejuvenation of Kukkarahalli Lake in city. This tender has now reached the Lokayukta, with allegations of misusing public funds and causing a financial loss of lakhs of rupees to MUDA.

The complaint, filed on June 14 and a copy obtained by *Star of Mysore,* was submitted by N. Nagaraj, District Secretary of Karnataka Rashtra Samithi Party, Mysuru, and a resident of Gayathripuram, Mysuru. According to the agreement, MUDA paid INTACH Rs. 63,80,000 (monthly stipulated amount of Rs. 7.9 lakh) to complete the DPR within nine months.

The list of respondents named in the complaint includes Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar and other MUDA officials such as the Superintending Engineer, Zone-4 Officer, Executive Engineer, Technical Assistant, Assistant Engineer, Chief Accountant, and MUDA First Division Assistant.

Additionally, Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore (UoM) Prof. N.K. Lokanath and Registrar V.R. Shailaja have been named respondents since UoM is the custodian of the Lake.

In his complaint, Nagaraj alleged that although there is a need to rejuvenate the polluted Kukkarahalli Lake, the procedures followed by certain officials in responsible positions raise suspicions of corruption.

UoM Senate not involved

Nagaraj also highlighted that the Lake conservation issue was discussed at a MUDA meeting on Sept. 6, 2023, even before it was brought up at the University Senate meeting. At this meeting, the MUDA Board decided to hire INTACH to prepare the DPR for Rs. 63,80,000. Furthermore, it was falsely represented that INTACH, a private body, is a Government entity. Nagaraj has submitted relevant documents to support his claims.

After the proposal was approved by the MUDA Board on Sept. 6, 2023, MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar entered into an agreement with INTACH on Dec. 18, 2023, and the work order was issued the same day.

On Dec. 22, 2023, without performing any work at Kukkarahalli Lake **and without providing the required security deposit,** INTACH requested the MUDA Commissioner to release Rs. 18,49,650. Based on this request, the MUDA Commissioner and other senior officers issued a cheque for Rs. 15,83,175 to INTACH, deducting Rs. 2,66,475 as a security deposit.

Despite many discrepancies and the apparent rush to allocate public funds to a private agency by flouting established norms, on Jan. 20, 2024, the MUDA Zone 4 Officer wrote to the UoM VC and Registrar, requesting them to hand over the Lake immediately to INTACH for the preparation of DPR. The VC and Registrar consented accordingly.

'Conceived to misuse public money'

Nagaraj has alleged that the Lake rejuvenation plan was conceived to misuse public money amounting to crores of rupees, with DPR commissioned for Rs. 63,80,000 as a pretext.

He claimed that MUDA's decision to entrust INTACH with the preparation of DPR is illegal and violates the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements (KTPP) Act. He noted that UoM's involvement in this illegality could lead to prosecution under criminal laws.

Nagaraj pointed out that numerous scholars and respected subject experts who graduated from UoM would have willingly undertaken the DPR work *pro bono,* utilising their expertise. Additionally, UoM hosts several institutes specialising in earth sciences, water quality testing, hydrology and environmental impact assessments. Surprisingly, none of these institutes were consulted for their expert opinion before awarding the DPR preparation to a distant, unfamiliar agency. Nagaraj criticised this decision as suspicious and against the interests of public.

He has attached several documents obtained through the Right To Information (RTI) Act and urged the Lokayukta to direct the registration of a criminal case against the responsible officers.

VOICE OF THE READER

Dog attack at Cheluvamba Park

A request for action

Sir,

I had a horrible experience of being attacked by a pack of stray dogs while taking a walk at Cheluvamba Park in Yadavagiri. About 5 to 6 dogs, which were lying on the pathway, suddenly sprang to their feet as I walked past them and initially snarled at me. In no time, the snarl turned into a ferocious bark with all their canines and front teeth fully exposed. They started pursuing me as I tried to evade them.

I had the presence of mind not to turn my back and run away but to face them squarely and try to chase them away. However, upon seeing a group of people (regular walkers at the Park) approaching the spot, the dogs soon calmed down.

This incident exposes the lack of proper security at this beautiful Park, which provides a lung space to dozens of people of all age groups, who turn up for a morning walk. I hope the authorities will find an effective solution to this problem.

Due to the neglect and apathy of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) personnel, animals stray into the Park since there is hardly any guard either at the gates or elsewhere in the Park. I once again urge MCC Zone 4 officials to take effective steps to put an end to this stray dog nuisance as quickly as possible.

I also request the MCC Commissioner to ban the entry of dogs inside the Park, not even dogs on leash, as sometimes it is found that some dog owners walk into the park with their dogs (with or without leash). It would be better to warn visitors to the Park not to pamper stray dogs by offering them eatables, which attract stray dogs into the Park.

—M. Jameel Ahmed
Yadavagiri
20.6.2024

‘Scientist of the Year’ Awardee

Dr. G. Panduranga Murthy** (centre) **receiving ‘Scientist of the Year-2024’ Award from Ranchi University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ajith Kumar Sinha during the two-day 9th International Conference held at Gossner College of Ranchi University in Jharkhand recently. Senior Director of CSIR-ICAR Dr. Janardhan Jee** (extreme right) **is also seen.

Mysuru, June 21 (VNS)- City’s scientist Dr. G. Panduranga Murthy was conferred with the prestigious ‘Scientist of the Year-2024’ Award by Gossner College of Ranchi University in Jharkhand recently.

The award was presented by Ranchi University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ajith Kumar Sinha and Senior Director of CSIR-ICAR Dr. Janardhan Jee during the two-day 9th International Conference on “Global Effort for Upliftment of Rural Mass through Biological Sciences and Multidisciplinary Research” held on June 8 and 9.

Dr. Murthy, who was invited to deliver the keynote address, was conferred with the award for his contributions in the fields of renewable green energy, bio-fuel production, conservation of shallow water springs and wetlands, Big data analytics on Evolutionary-cum-Tribal Medicines and Transfer of sustainable technologies to the rural farmers, self-entrepreneurs and other prospective beneficiaries.

Dr. Panduranga Murthy was awarded the Doctor of Science by the Ranchi University in the year 2023. He received his first Ph.D by the University of Mysore for his research in “Eco-toxicology of Pesticides on Crop Plants and Phytoremediation for Sustainable Agriculture Production.” Later, he received his second Ph.D from Jawarharlal Nehru Technological University, Andhra Pradesh, for his research related to “Scientific Validation of Ethno-medicinal Plant Drugs and Biopharmaceuticals linking with chemical equations of traditional/ tribal medicinal systems respectively.”

Radisson Blu Walkathon Empowers Communities in Mysuru City

Mysuru, June 21- Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysuru, a member of the Radisson Hotel Group (RHG), hosted the *RHG South Asia Walkathon* in city this morning, as part of the Group’s Community Action Month.

The event aimed to foster collaboration, volunteerism and community support.

The walkathon commenced at 6 am from the Mysore Palace premises and culminated at the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel. Corporate partners, team members, families, friends and trade colleagues took part.

The registration fees collected during the walkathon were dedicated to the Radisson India Charitable Foundation, reinforcing the Hotel Group’s commitment to community well-being.

Participants rallied together to contribute to the Charitable Foundation, which provides education and healthcare support to children from bereaved families of Radisson colleagues.

The Foundation’s mission extends beyond education and healthcare, empowering communities across India.

City Top Cop to inaugurate

self-defense karate on June 23

Mysuru, June 21 (GA&VNS)- Mysore Karate Association will be conducting a self-defense karate programme on June 23 at University of Mysore Hockey Grounds (Sports Pavilion), said Association President Shivdas.

Addressing the mediapersons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan, he said that City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth would inaugurate the event at 8 am.

International athlete M. Yogendra, Department of Physical Education, UoM, Director Dr. Venkatesh and Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports Assistant Director Bhaskar Nayak will be the chief guests. Hon. President of Mysore Karate Association and former MLC C.S. Arun Machaiah will preside.

More than 1,500 karatekas from different karate schools are expected to participate in the event being organised to mark the World Karate Day celebrations, he said.

Association Vice-President N. Shankar, Sosale Siddaraju, Secretary Deepak Kumar, Joint Secretary Sunil Kumar and Bharathi were present at the press meet.

Disruption in power supply on June 22 and 23

Mysuru, June 21- As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its 1st quarterly maintenance works at Vajamangala and Adakanahalli Power Distribution Centres, there will be no power supply on June 22 and 23 between 10 am and 5.30 pm in the following areas:

Vajamangala Power Distribution Centre: Mellahalli, Harohalli, Halekerehundi, Shivapura, Halagayyanahundi, Pillahalli, Varakodu, Badagalahundi, Moodalahundi, Kempegowdanahundi, Varuna, Dandikere, Vajamangala, Mosambayyanahalli, Yandahalli, Sajjehundi, Janthagalli, Mahadeshwara Layout, Indus Layout, Boogathagalli Gate, Chikkahalli, Choranahalli, Nadanahalli, Police Layout, Netajinagar, IPS Nagar, Lal Bahadur Shastri Nagar, JSS Layout, Vasanthanagar, Sukhadayi Layout, Shanthaveri Gopalagowda Nagar, Saptamatruka Layout, Sahrudayanagar and Prakruthi Layout and surrounding areas.

Adakanahalli Power Distribution Centre: Adakanahalli Industrial area, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, Nanjangud Division.

Training for

RTO Inspector recruitment exam

Mysuru, June 21- Netaji Education Foundation and Netaji Career Academy have invited applications from aspirants appearing for RTO Inspector recruitment examination.

Training will be held on June 22. Interested can visit Foundation Office located on Krishna Vilas Road, near Jaganmohan Palace, Mysuru or contact Mob: 63641- 16745 or Ph: 0821-3553964.

Diploma course

Rangayana extends last date for admission

Mysuru, June 21- Rangayana has extended the last date for the submission of application from candidates to join the one year diploma course offered by Bharatiya Rangashikshana Kendra to June 29.

Interested candidates can visit *https://www.rangayanamysore.karnataka.gov.in* to download the application forms. For details contact Ph: 0821-2512639 or Mob:91488-27720, according to a press release.

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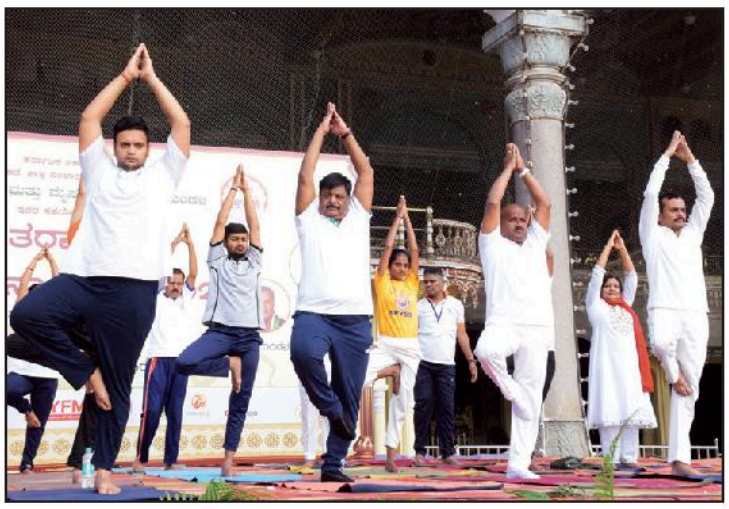

District Incharge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa accompanied by MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, MLC C.N. Manjegowda, ADC P. Shivaraju and others performing yogasana at Mysore Palace premises this morning.

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This was followed by 14 minutes of Pranayama, Dhyana, and Sankalpa, which included Kapalabhathi, Naadishodana Pranayama, Sheethali Pranayama and Bhramari Pranayama. Before these exercises, participants performed a four-minute warm-up routine.

Inaugurating the International Day of Yoga, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa highlighted the significance of Yoga, noting that it has been 10 years since India convinced the United Nations to declare June 21 as the International Day of Yoga. He underscored that practising Yoga is crucial for leading a disciplined life and maintaining good health for both individuals and society.

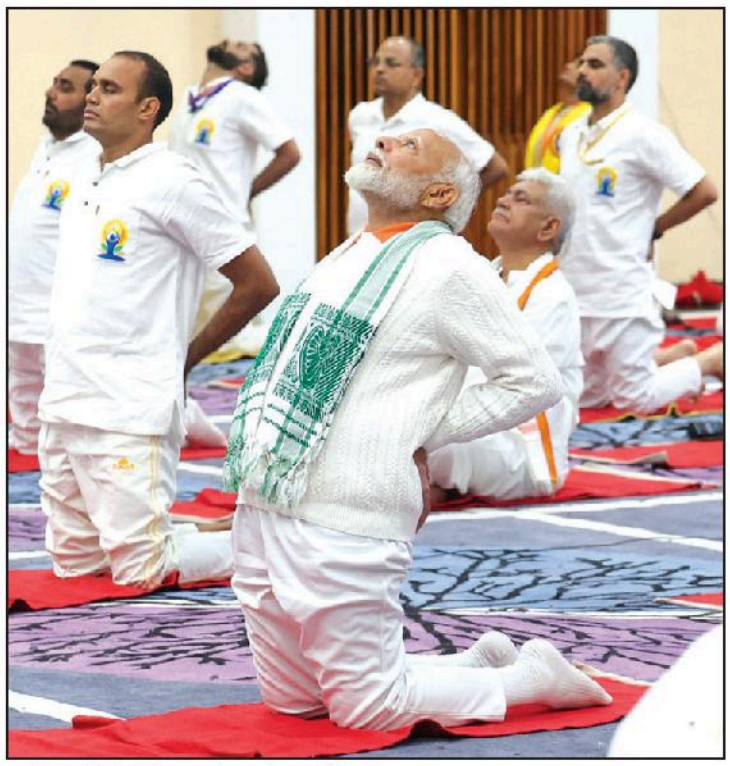
Dr. Mahadevappa also recalled the International Yoga Day celebrations at Mysore Race Club during his previous tenure as District Minister, noting that medical experts affirm that practising Yoga can help cure certain health issues.

Speaking on the occasion, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar noted that Mysuru has been celebrating International Day of Yoga every year with great enthusiasm. He highlighted that the then ruler Mummadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, by recording 108 Yogasanas, paved the way for Mysuru to become the Yoga Capital in the modern era.

Emphasising the cultural significance of Yoga Day, Yaduveer Wadiyar called upon the public to cooperate with authorities to create a Guinness Record by performing Yogasanas during the Dasara celebrations later this year.

Also in attendance were MLA T.S. Srivatsa, MLC C.N. Manjegowda, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth, ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri, District AYUSH Officer Dr. Pushpa, ADC P. Shivaraju, Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya and GSS Foundation Founder D. Srihari.

PM performs yoga in Srinagar, CM in Ballari



New Delhi/Bengaluru, June 21 (VNS)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi led the 10th International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrations at Srinagar. The event, which was scheduled to start at 6.30 am at Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC) on the banks of the Dal Lake in Srinagar, was disrupted due to heavy rain. The arrangements were later shifted indoors.

This year's event underscores Yoga's profound impact on young minds and bodies, aiming to unite thousands in the practice of Yoga and promote health and wellness on a global scale.

On the occasion, the Prime Minister also addressed a gathering and said the day is creating new records in the world. Extending his greetings to the people of the country, PM Modi said, "I extend greetings to people of the country and people performing Yoga in every corner of the world on Yoga Day. The number of people practising Yoga is growing worldwide."

Since 2015, PM Modi has led the IDY celebrations at various iconic locations, including Kartavya Path in Delhi, Chandigarh, Dehradun, Ranchi, Lucknow, Mysuru, and even the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah participated in

the International Day of Yoga celebrations, jointly organised by the Santosh Lad Foundation and Shwaasa Yoga Organisation, at JSW (Jindal South West) Township in Ballari this morning.

CM Siddaramaiah, along with Minister Santosh Lad, CM's Political Advisor Govindraju, MP E. Tukaram, Secretary to the State Government Trilok Chandra, Vachanananda Swamiji, MLA Srinivas, and actress Srileela, performed various Yogasanas.

Grand IDY-2024 celebrations were also held in front of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru. Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot inaugurated the event and later performed Yogasanas along with Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, and Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti, Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao among others.

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot accompanied by Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar and Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti took part in the International Day of Yoga celebrations held in front of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru this morning.

SWR DRM outlines Yoga benefits

Mysuru, June 21 (VNS) - South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, celebrated International Yoga Day with great enthusiasm aligning with this year's theme, 'Yoga for Self and Society' at Railway Kalyana Mantap in Yadavagiri, here this morning.

The event was inaugurated by the Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) Shilpi Agarwal by lighting the traditional lamp. Speaking on the occasion, Shilpi Agarwal outlined the numerous benefits of Yoga and urged the Railway employees and their families to integrate regular yoga practice into their lives.

Later, yogasanas were performed under the guidance of yoga instructors from the Art of Living.

Additional Divisional Railway Manager (General) Vinayak Nayak, Additional Divisional Railway Manager (Infra & Operations) E. Vijaya, other senior officers and staff members took part in the event.

International Yoga Day was also observed at various railway stations and depots across the Mysuru Division of South Western Railway, promoting a widespread culture of health and well-being through yoga.

SWR DRM Shilpi Agarwal along with Railway officials performing Yogasana at Railway Kalyana Mantap, Yadavagiri this morning.

Yoga Day at Govt. Blind School

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar took part in the International Day of Yoga celebrations jointly organised by EquiBeing Foundation and Government Blind School for Boys at the school premises in Tilak Nagar, Mysuru, this morning. Yaduveer Wadiyar performed yogasanas with the students on the occasion.

Trin Trin: MCC adds 500 pedal-assist bicycles

Mysuru, June 21 (MK&VNS)- With the Power Pedal 'Trin' Trin Bicycle (MYBYK) introduced by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) receiving a positive response, the authorities have added 500 bicycles for public use.

Mysuru, being one of the first cities to introduce the 'Trin Trin' Public Bicycle Sharing System on June 4, 2017, initially featured bicycles fitted with GPS systems. Last year, the system was re-introduced with a new approach, adding pedal-assist bicycles and replacing the old yellow-coloured ones.

Initially, about 1,000 pedal-assist bicycles were introduced, benefiting both regular users and tourists visiting various locations in the city.

The MCC has set up 48 docking stations across the city, including locations near the old DC office, City Railway Station, Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle (Metropole Circle) and opposite Kukkarahalli Lake. Currently, about 458 bicycles are being used daily. There are approximately 7,779 daily users of the Trin Trin bicycles, with 659 new users being added every month.

The bicycles, which move smoothly even on elevated roads, have attracted people from all walks of life, including students, morning walkers and city workers.

Those interested in the service can enrol through the dedicated 'MYBYK' app, available in the app store. The app provides information regarding docking stations, the number of bicycles available and battery usage, among other features. Users can subscribe for single-day use, three days, or even for a month by making online payments.

No thefts reported

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, an official associated with 'Trin Trin' mentioned that, no incidents of bicycle theft had been reported since the new bicycles were introduced eight months ago.

"In case of thefts, the location of the bicycle can be identified immediately. Additionally, the Bluetooth device will not function if the bicycle's battery is depleted. Users can exchange their bicycles by visiting the nearest docking station," said the official.

While the 'MYBYK' call centre operates from Bengaluru, the maintenance tasks, including bicycle charging and repairs, are handled at the service centre in Mysuru.

M.G. Road traffic

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During their visit to M.G. Road on June 18, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth, Mysuru City Corporation Commissioner Ashaad-Ur-Rahman Shariff and other senior officers directed their subordinates to ensure order on the road.

The DC instructed the MCC to maintain cleanliness by stationing permanent Pourakarmikas and installing barricades between the road and the market to prevent vendors and vehicles from encroaching on the road.

He asked the Police to ensure that vehicles carrying vegetables and fruits enter the market for loading and unloading, rather than parking on the road. CCTV cameras were to be installed at strategic points to enforce this rule, with penalties for violations.

These directives have been effective, and the road now looks clean with orderly traffic. Vehicles carrying vegetables from the hinterland and outside the district enter the market directly without being parked on the road outside the market. Police from Siddhartha Traffic Station ensure that all activity remains within the market, keeping the road free for moving vehicles only.

Median and barricades

"There is strict monitoring by the MCC Abhaya team. Following the DC's and MCC Commissioner's directives, a 350-metre road median with a height of 1.2 metres will be laid from the underbridge to the Mall of Mysore at an estimated cost of Rs. 40 lakh. A new 1.4-metre concrete barricade with an estimated cost of Rs. 40 lakh will be laid at the entrance of the vegetable market to prevent vendors from entering the road. Vehicle entry will be provided at one or two places within the barricades," MCC Superintending Engineer K.J. Sindhu, who is also the Deputy Commissioner (Development), told *Star of Mysore* this morning.

The Rs. 80 lakh work orders for the median and barricade have been issued, and work will begin soon, she added. "We will also install CCTV cameras at vantage points on M.G. Road to strictly enforce rules. After a grace period for raising awareness among vendors, violators will be penalised," she added.

The MCC and Traffic Police will explore options to facilitate direct connectivity from the backside of the vegetable market for vehicles transporting produce from H.D. Kote, T. Narasipur, and Nanjangud via Mysore Race Club (behind Kamat Hotel).

"There is a huge ditch behind the vegetable market, and efforts will be made to close it to create a road for the smooth entry of vehicles to the market from behind. This will ease the pressure on the front side of the market," she said.

NOTE: *This is proof that top officials who take tough decisions when things get tough indeed can deliver good governance. They explain and convince their political masters rather than remaining "Yes masters" at the cost of disservice to the public.*

It is for this reason, in Mysore we remember officers like L. Revannasiddaiah IPS, Kasturirangan IPS, Bipin Gopalakrishna IPS and of course, Kempaiah IPS. **—Ed.**

Two-day sugarcane research workshop held in city

Mysuru, June 21 (RK&BCT)- A two-day 22nd Sugarcane Research and Development Workshop of Southern Karnataka began yesterday at the B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences in the city. Over 240 delegates, including researchers, R&D staff from sugar factories across South Karnataka, scientists, and scholars, are attending the workshop.

The event is being held in association with the ICAR – Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore; the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru; the Bharat Ratna Sir M. Visvesvaraih Sugarcane Research Institute, Mandya; and Coromandel Sugars Ltd., Makavalli, K.R. Pet.

The event aims to showcase sugarcane research and developmental activities being carried out in the Southern region of Karnataka. R&D workshops are highly beneficial and play an important role in catalysing the improvement of sugarcane and sugar productivity in the region.

This workshop provides an opportunity for sugarcane R&D personnel and other related scientists to interact and exchange their views on the field problems faced by the industry and sugarcane farmers, as well as the remedies to overcome these challenges.

The speakers of the event include V.J. Ravi, Senior Vice President, Coromandel Sugars Ltd., Dr. G. Hemaprabha, Director, ICAR – Sugarcane Breeding Institute (SBI), Coimbatore, Shivakumar, Principal Scientist, SBI, C.B. Patil, Director, S. Nijalingappa Sugar Institute, Belagavi and Dr. Vishakanta, Director of SBI.

In his address, Ravi opined that, there is a desperate need to increase sugarcane production in a non-labour-intensive and sustainable way. Research needs to be done in this direction and this workshop has been organised to promote R&D activities.

The guests released a compendium of research articles and status papers. The highlights of the workshop include managing drought and measures to improve irrigation water usage more efficiently and sustainably, interventions for enhancing sugarcane yields and sugar recovery in Southern Karnataka.

It will review various mechanisation initiatives in the region including mechanical harvesting, varietal positions in sugar factories, and the performance of new sugarcane varieties and varietal trials.

The event also hosts an exhibition showcasing farm equipment and machinery, tissue culture and biotechnology advancements, agrochemicals, biofertilisers, drip irrigation and micro-irrigation systems and water-purifying technology equipment.

MCC warns pig, cattle-rearers

Mysuru, June 21 (BS)- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner has warned of cracking a whip on stray pigs and cattle, if they are found in public places.

In a press release, MCC Commissioner has stated that action will be taken without issuing any prior notice, to rein in pigs and the cattle and they shall be taken directly to either Mysore Pinjrapole Society or Gau Shala.

The stray animals have been littering garbage dumped in dust bins and also coming in the way of smooth flow of traffic, in both MCC limits and outskirts.

Despite issuing several warnings orally, pigs and cattle are still being let out on the streets. Several complaints have been received from the public and hence the pig and cattle-rearers should not leave them in the open, in the interest of people's health and maintenance of cleanliness, the press release stated further.

Youth goes missing from city

Ravikumar

Mysuru, June 21 (KS)- A 24-year-old youth, who left his house in Alanahalli Police limits at about 8.30 am on Apr. 5 saying that he was going to his cement store at Srirampura, has since gone missing.

The missing youth is Ravikumar. He is 5.5 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, normal built, oval faced, speaks Kannada and was wearing a blue coloured shirt and a jeans pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing youth, may contact Alanahalli Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418311 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339/40.

Two Memorials to come up for Dasara elephant Arjuna

One at Yeslur, his burial place, another at Balle Elephant Camp in Nagarahole; Foundation stone to be laid in July

Minister for Forest Eshwar Khandre and Virajpet MLA A.S. Ponnanna, flagging off three mini buses for the benefit of visitors to Nagarahole Forest, in front of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Thursday as Hunsur MLA G.D. Harish Gowda and others look on.

Bengaluru, June 21 (KS)- The Forest Department, planning to honour the former Dasara Howdah elephant Arjuna, will construct two memorials — one at his burial place in Yeslur in Hassan district, and another at Balle Elephant Camp in Nagarahole where he was camped. A foundation stone will be laid at his burial site in July, said Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre.

Arjuna, the revered eight-time carrier of the Golden Howdah during Mysuru Dasara festivities, met a tragic end during a wild elephant capture operation when he was fatally wounded during a confrontation with another wild elephant in the Yeslur range forest of Sakleshpur taluk in Hassan district on Dec. 4, 2023.

Khandre disclosed these plans during the flagging-off ceremony of additional safari buses for Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, held yesterday in front of Vidhana Soudha, Bengaluru. The memorials will feature a model of Arjuna and photos depicting his carrying of the Golden Howdah and participation in elephant and tiger rescue operations, ensuring his legacy endures.

The Minister emphasised completing these memorials before Arjuna's first death anniversary on Dec. 4, 2024.

Responding to concerns about elephant deaths in camps, Khandre assured that he has requested a comprehensive report on the matter, promising appropriate action based on its findings. He also announced the Forest Department's decision to provide an incentive of Rs. 2,000 to personnel working in anti-poaching camps, with a proposal submitted to the Finance Department for approval.

New safari buses for Nagarahole

Minister Khandre launched three new wildlife safari buses for Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, aimed at enhancing the visitor experience during safaris.

These vehicles, each costing Rs. 16,55,585, were funded primarily by Ramesh Govindan with Rs. 14,81,590, while the custom-designed bodies were financed through a Rs. 20 lakh CSR fund from Harishantharam of Coimbatore.

The Minister, and accompanying officials, took a ceremonial ride to Vidhana Soudha after flagging off the new safari buses.

MLAs A.S. Ponnanna and G.D. Harish Gowda, Additional Chief Secretary of Forest, Ecology, and Environment Department N. Manjunath Prasad, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild) Subhash K. Malkade, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Brijesh Kumar Dikshit, and other dignitaries were present.

Man sentenced to life for killing wife

Mysuru, June 21 (KS)- City's 5th Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to life imprisonment after he was found guilty of murdering his wife.

The man, who was sentenced, is Subbu alias Ravi, a resident of Debur village in Nanjangud Rural Police limits.

Subbu had married Amuda of Rajaji Colony in Nanjangud town about 10 years ago and the couple have two daughters. After two to three years of marriage, Subbu, who began to suspect his wife having illicit relationship, used to come home drunk daily and harass her mentally and physically.

On Dec. 6, 2020 at about 4.30 pm, Subbu, who came home fully drunk, picked up a fight with Amuda and at about 6.30 pm, when Amuda was serving food for him (Subbu), he poured sanitiser on Amuda and set her on fire. Amuda succumbed to burn injuries at KR Hospital in Mysuru later.

A case under IPC Sections 498(A) and 302 was registered and the then Circle Inspector Lakshmikanth Talawar had submitted a charge-sheet against the accused to the Court.

Fifth Additional District and Sessions Court Judge Gururaj Somakkalavar, who took up the case, heard the arguments from both sides, found the accused guilty of the crime and sentenced him to two years rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 under Column 498(A) of the IPC and again sentenced him to life imprisonment under Column 320 of the IPC and a fine of Rs. 5,000. Public prosecutor B.E. Yogeshwar argued on behalf of the Government.

Darshan case: CM warns Ministers lobbying for actor

Siddaramaiah

Bengaluru, June 21 (BS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has warned his Cabinet colleagues against coming to him with a plea to interfere in the case of actor Darshan Thoogudeepa, who is arrested in the murder case of Renuka Swamy of Chitradurga.

CM Siddaramaiah spoke tough when some of his Cabinet colleagues raised the issue during the Cabinet meeting held on Thursday, it is said.

CM has also termed the murder as brutal and unseen in the recent past and hence nobody should go to him, to either influence the ongoing probe.

He also recalled the video footage related to the incident shown by the Police to him and said he was aware of the brutal manner in which the victim was dealt by the accused, following which he directed the Police to go ahead with the investigation, without any inhibition.

Renuka Swamy murder case

Extended two-day Police custody for actor Darshan, 3 others

Bengaluru, June 21 (BS)- Sandalwood actor Darshan Thoogudeepa, who was in Police custody along with 13 others, following their arrest in the murder case of Renuka Swamy of Chitradurga, was produced before the Special Court for Economic Offences yesterday.

While the Police custody of Darshan and three others was extended by two days, the remaining 10 accused including prime suspect in the case Pavithra Gowda, have been remanded to Judicial Custody (JC).

Darshan, Dhanaraj alias Raj, Vinay and Pradosh were those sent to Police custody further, while those sent to JC are Pavithra Gowda, Pavan, Raghavendra, Nandish, Jagadish, Anukumar, Nagaraj, Lakshman, Deepak and Keshavamurthy.

Darshan

Pavithra Gowda

While three other accused Ravishankar, Karthik and Nikhil Nayak are already in JC. The total arrests made in the case are 17. Following the remand of 10 accused to JC, they were all taken to Parappana Agrahara Central Prison.

Special Public Prosecutor (SPP) Prasanna Kumar argued on behalf of the prosecution, while advocate Anil Babu appeared for Darshan and Narayanswamy for Pavithra Gowda.

Police have done a good job: G.T. Devegowda

GTD

Mysuru, June 21(BLU&DM)- Stating that the Police have done a good job in the investigation of Renuka Swamy murder case in which popular actor Darshan is involved, Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) said that the Chief Minister Siddaramaiah himself is shocked at the way the brutal murder had taken place and has said that no one should speak in favour of the actor.

Speaking to press persons ahead of the meeting of officials from Hootagalli CMC and Bogadi, Srirampura, Kadakola and Rammanahalli Town Panchayats coming under Chamundeshwari Constituency, at Jaladarshini Guest House here this morning, GTD said that, those who have done wrong in the murder case, which has hit national headlines due to its brutality, should be severely punished.

Referring to Deputy Chief Minister and KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar's hint that he would be contesting the yet to be announced bypoll from Channapatna seat, following the resignation of H.D.Kumaraswamy, GTD asserted that Shivakumar would not contest the bypoll and the Deputy Chief Minister's statement was only a political tactic.

Maintaining that he (GTD) has said this out of his long political experience, the Chamundeshwari MLA noted that, Shivakumar was only speaking on behalf of his younger brother D.K. Suresh, who recently lost the LS polls from Bangalore Rural Constituency and who now intends to contest the Channapatna bypoll on a Congress ticket.

Women Self-Help Groups to collect property tax dues of local bodies

Bengaluru, June 21 (KMS& DM)- In an effort to mobilise resources and to fix the loopholes in tax collection, the State Government has decided to entrust property tax and utility bills dues collection in local bodies to women Self-help Groups (SHG).

Announcing this while speaking to press persons after the State Cabinet meeting here yesterday, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.K. Patil said that, the responsibility of collecting pending property tax dues and utility bills in all local bodies, barring BBMP, will be entrusted to women Self-help Groups.

Clarifying that there would be no tax collection drive in rural areas, Patil said that, the

Minister H.K. Patil

property tax dues in local bodies was mounting due to shortage of staff and other reasons. Pointing out that property tax dues had touched Rs. 1,860 crore in city Corporations such as Mysuru, Mangaluru, Hubballi-Dharwad and Davangere and other urban local bodies, he said that. the Government would give 5 percent of the collected money as incentive to women Self-help Groups.

Continuing, the Minister reiterated that the Cabinet took this decision as the pending dues collection was enormous, which cannot be handled by the available staff of local bodies alone.

Pointing out that, there were 51 lakh properties in the jurisdiction of local bodies in the State coming under Property Tax net, he said that over 30 lakh houses have been provided power and water connections.

Regretting that property owners were not paying up their taxes in time, Patil said that, the Government has roped in women Self-help Groups as a partner in the pending tax collection dues.

Cabinet gives approval for construction of new OPD block in K.R. Hospital premises

K. Harishgowda

Bengaluru, June 21 (KMS& DM)- In yet another major step towards improving health services for the benefit of common man in the districts of Mysuru region, the State Cabinet which met here yesterday, gave administrative approval for release of Rs.75 crore for the construction of a new OPD block in the premises of K.R. Hospital, attached to MMC&RI (Mysore Medical College and Research Institute),which is celebrating its centenary later this year.

It may be mentioned here that, the Chief Minister Siddaramaiah Government had set aside Rs. 75 crore for the construction of new OPD Block in Mysuru's

K.R. Hospital premises, popularly known as 'Doddaspatre' among the rural masses, in the 2024-25 budget.

Following the administrative approval, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda has thanked CM Siddaramaiah for the same and said that, the new OPD Block would also cater to the health needs of the people of southern districts of the State.

'Free power and water for Government Schools and PU Colleges'

Bengaluru, June 21 (KMS& DM)- In a major decision regarding improvement of infrastructure in Government schools, the State Cabinet which met here yesterday, decided to provide free power and water to Government schools and PU Colleges across the State.

Informing this at a press meet after the state Cabinet meeting here yesterday, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.K.Patil said, there are 46,829 Government schools and 1,434 PU Colleges in the State. Pointing out that, the Government would incur an annual expenditure of Rs.29.19 crore for this, he said that, hitherto, SDMCs (School Development Management Committee) were bearing the power and water bills.

The Government through this move, has considerably reduced the financial burden on schools, he added.

The other significant decisions taken at the meeting, included sanction for release of Rs.297.77 crore for development of Universities and comprehensive personality development of students of State-run Residential schools with support from Rotary Club.

CM to decide over Seventh Pay Commission recommendations

Bengaluru, June 21 (BS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, has been vested with power to decide over the implementation of recommendations of Seventh Pay Commission.

This was resolved after discussions, during the Cabinet meeting chaired by CM Siddaramaiah at Vidhana Soudha here yesterday.

Following the meeting, the long pending demand of State Government employees is expected to be a reality anytime. During the meeting, some of the Ministers have reportedly advised the CM, to hike the basic pay by 25 percent, in compliance with the recommendations of Seventh Pay Commission. While the CM is keen on hiking the basic pay by 27 percent, it is said.

The State Government is expected to issue a notification in this regard soon.

Old building collapses in Kodagu; 6 people rescued

Gonikoppa, June 21 (BCT)- An 80-year-old building housing a hotel and a meat shop collapsed in Gonikoppa town, Kodagu, yesterday around 2 pm. Some of the people trapped inside were having food at the hotel.

Six individuals were successfully rescued from under the debris, in a joint operation by Fire and Emergency Services personnel, Police and the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) team.

Eyewitnesses and the Police reported that, the two-storeyed building suddenly collapsed with a loud noise. Due to the impact, the Ambur Biriyani Hotel and a meat shop housed in the ground floor were buried under the debris.

No one resided on the first floor. The building was constructed in 1950s and the hotel has been operating for three years. The building is owned by Sannuvanda Uthaiah.

The injured include hotel owner N. Tirumurugan (60) from Andhra Pradesh, his wife Alamelamma (46), their son Narayana (24), worker Mahalinga (25) and customer Madhu (35) from Thithimathi village. Another customer, Thimma (45) from Nagarahole, was also rescued. Two two-wheelers parked outside the hotel were crushed by the falling structure.

The meat shop owner, Samir, managed to escape as the building started collapsing. However, six people were trapped under the debris.

Fire and Emergency Services personnel from Mysuru, Periyapatna, Madikeri and Gonikoppa quickly arrived at the scene, and the rescue operation commenced with an earthmover. Tirumurugan and Alamelamma, who were standing in the outer portion of the hotel, were the first to be rescued.

The three-hour rescue operation began immediately after the collapse, with no delay. Due to a lack of precise information on the number of people trapped, an extensive search operation was conducted using a special vehicle equipped with modern tools, sourced from Mysuru.

The NDRF team, stationed in Madikeri for flood rescue operations during the rainy season, also rushed to the site with equipment including concrete cutters. All six individuals were rescued by the evening.

The injured were shifted to hospitals in Mysuru, where their condition is reported to be stable. Madhu, who suffered a leg fracture, was admitted to a hospital in Gonikoppa.

Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Venkat Raja, Superintendent of Police K. Ramarajan and others visited the site and monitored the rescue operations.

Debt: Auto driver ends life

Mysuru, June 21 (SPN&KS) - Unable to bear increasing debt, an auto driver committed suicide by hanging self at his house in city.

The deceased auto driver is Kumar (56), a resident of Hale Kesare here.

Kumar, who was depressed over increasing debts, reportedly took to liquor and unable to clear the debts, he took the extreme step.

A case has been registered at NR Police Station.

WORD OF THE DAY

Hue and Cry

Pronunciation: HYOO-und-KRYE (Noun)
Meaning: Hue and Cry refers to a clamour of alarm or protest in response to something. It can also be used as a synonym of hubbub to refer to general noise or uproar.
Origin: Let's say it's the Middle Ages in England and a villainous highwayman has just made off with your purse of gold. What do you do? You can't call the Police, because in medieval England there is no organised Police force, much less telephones; indeed, 911 is even less than a joke in your town—it doesn't exist! Instead, the job of fighting crime belongs to ordinary citizens. The first step is to raise a stink—victims of or witnesses to a crime are expected to yell something like "stop thief!" so that anyone who hears the "hue and cry" will be legally bound to join in the pursuit of the perfidious pilferer. Fast-forwarding to today, although hue and cry (hue comes from an Old French word meaning "noise" or "outcry"; cry comes from the synonymous Anglo-French cri) was used in legal contexts upon entering English in the 15th century, it now more often refers to general alarm, complaint, or protest.
Example: "Bedazzled by lucrative allures of STEM and the popularity of business degrees, universities have been defunding their humanities programs & transforming themselves into vocational training centres with five-star gyms. ... The hue and cry over this benighted movement, in which institutions of higher learning are turning their backs on their fundamental mission, will likely not be enough to stop the forces operating under cover of budgetary necessity." —Charles McNulty, The Los Angeles Times, 24 Aug. 2023

THE ODD WORD

Moira

A person's fate or destiny.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Use Your Loaf

Meaning: The phrase 'Use your loaf' is an expression used to tell someone to use their brain more.
Origin: In World War One, territorial forces would stick a loaf of bread out of their trenches to see if the snipers are still around.
Example: "Is it so hard to use your loaf and understand what this situation means for your brother?"

QUOTE BOX

It is a wise father that knows his own child. **—William Shakespeare**

RIDDLE THIS

If you don't keep me, I'll break. What am I?

Answer: A promise.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Case for needles
5 Tibetan gazelle
8 Dubious
12 Splendour
14 Spy established deep within an organization
15 Fragrant white flower
16 Office boy
17 Integer, in short?
18 Brings about
20 Canine
23 One-time Tory rival
24 Scandinavian capital
25 Tropical fruits
28 Horizontal Situation Indicator
29 Water wheel
30 Rock music style
32 Decamp, disappear
34 For ____ : permanently?
35 Mark of servitude
36 Former Friendly Isles
37 Tennis star Andre ___
40 CIA predecessor
41 Separate out
42 Seaport on W Kyushu
47 Sickly sentimental
48 Body of troops
49 Keralan festival
50 Feminine pronoun
51 Distress, torture or torment

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

B	E	M	U	S	E	■	T	O	B	R	U	K
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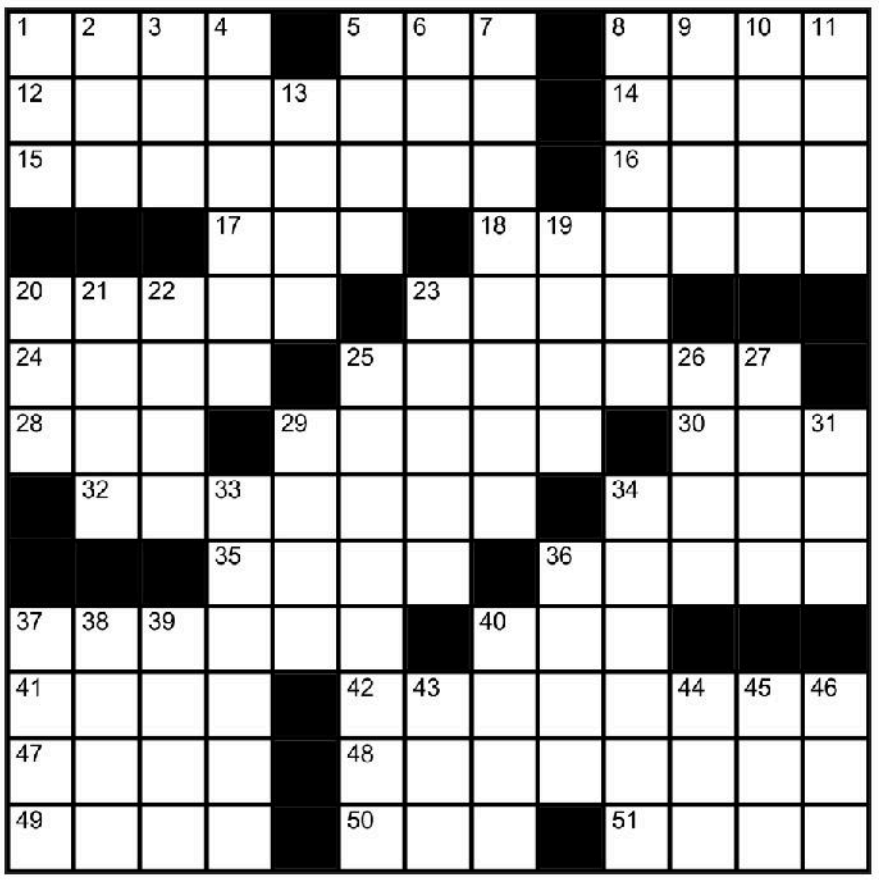
DOWN

1 ___ on : incite or encourage?
2 ___ la la... : song humming?
3 Former Mideast org.
4 Violet blue dye
5 A commonly used term for a well-bred person
6 French assent
7 Eight-legged creature
8 Call into question; challenge
9 Enemies
10 Floating ice
11 Hankers after
13 Contradict
19 Amer Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics
20 Note of the musical scale
21 Greek peak
22 Not sincere
23 Former Aussie leg spinner Shane ___
25 Advance reservations?
26 Vast age
27 Murky fog
29 Non-comm offs.
31 Harem room
33 Method
34 Scandalmonger
36 Russian emperor
37 Regarding (2,2)
38 Loose, flowing garment
39 District, domain or locality
40 Hideous giant
43 Sigh of contentment
44 As loud ___ thunder ? (2,1)
45 Colourful carp
46 A place of lodging



SUDOKU

				5		6		
			4		1	7		8
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	9							5
	3						1	
4							7	
1		3			7			9
9		6	3		8			
		8		1				

Answer to previous puzzle

5	4	9	8	7	6	2	3	1
3	1	8	4	2	5	6	7	9
7	2	6	3	1	9	8	5	4
2	9	3	7	8	1	5	4	6
4	6	7	5	9	3	1	8	2
1	8	5	2	6	4	3	9	7
6	5	4	1	3	7	9	2	8
9	7	2	6	5	8	4	1	3
8	3	1	9	4	2	7	6	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

GP KWT PVH BGZTP JAT BTEK, ZJHRHTPP

AGVPTP BJPVHRTDPKGHRJHX, BJPKDVPK

GHR WYPKJEJKL KY TNGFYDGKT.

TODAY'S CLUE: X EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The difference between a man and his valet: they both smoke the same cigars, but only one pays for them.

MOVIE LOVERS

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Hamare Baarah (H)	(S-1)	4.10 pm, 7.05 pm
Creation of the Gods 1 (Chinese)	(S-1)	10 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-2)	10.25 am, 7.10 pm
Munjya (H)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Chandu Champion (H)	(S-2)	4.10 pm
Nadanna Sambhavam (Ma)	(S-2)	10.15 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 4.15 pm
Sambhavami Yuge Yuge (K)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Ullozhukku (Ma)	(S-3)	7.15 pm
Jahangir National University (H)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Chilli Chicken (K)	(S-4)	10.50 am
Kotee (K)	(S-4)	1.25 pm, 6.45 pm, 10 pm

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	(S-4)	9.25 pm
Sambhavami Yuge Yuge (K)	(S-1)	4.05 pm
Chilli Chicken (K)	(S-1)	7.05 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	(S-1)	9.30 pm; (S-4) 6.45 pm
Desai (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Pokkiri (Ta)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 7.10 pm; (S-4) 1.30 pm

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Trailers Screening Show	:	11.30 am
Trisha on the Rocks (H)	:	11.40 am, 6.25 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	:	12.05 pm, 6.40 pm
Bahaddur (K)	:	12.55 pm
Munjya (H)	:	1.30 pm, 7.45 pm
Love Li (K)	:	3.10 pm
Jahangir National University (H)	:	3.15 pm, 9.45 pm
The Bikeriders (E)	:	3.45 pm, 9.15 pm
Chandu Champion (H)	:	4.55 pm, 10.25 pm
Desai (K)	:	6.30 pm
Ullozhukku (Ma)	:	6.30 pm
Nadanna Sambhavam (Ma)	:	10 pm

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Chandu Champion (H)	:	10.30 am, 4 pm
Kotee (K)	:	11.15 am, 2.45 pm, 6.15 pm, 9.45 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.30 am
Jahangir National University (H)	:	12.05 pm, 6 pm
Pokkiri (Ta)	:	12.35 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	:	1.40 pm, 7.10 pm
Chilli Chicken (K)	:	3.15 pm
Ramesh Suresh (K)	:	4 pm
Bahaddur (K)	:	6.45 pm
Sambhavami Yuge Yuge (K)	:	9.10 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	:	9.30 pm
Hamare Baarah (H)	:	10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 21)

- **Parivarthana Ranga Samaja, Arivu Educational & Cultural Trust, Kutuhali, Kalasuruchi - Mysuru, tAcT - The Academy Trust, Guru Ranga Charitable Trust, Sanchalana - Bengaluru and Samatento - Mysuru:** Mysore Science Theatre Festival, Art & Mathematics Display, **4.30 pm;** Kannada Monologues (Excerpts from Science plays), **5.30 pm;** Staging of play 'AC V/S DC' by Abhinaya Bharati, Dharwad (Director: Aravinda Kulakarni), RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City and Kadali Mahila Vedike:** Mane Manege Sharaneyara Agamana, Dr. Shashikala delivers lecture on 'Urilingapeddigala Punyasthree Kalavve,' residence of Manjula Ravi, #221, N.H. Palya, B-Zone, J.P. Nagar 3rd Stage, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sacred Heart Church, Yadavagiri:** Annual Church Feast, Rosary, Holy Mass by Rev. Fr. J. Anthony Raj (Parish Priest, St. Teresa Church, Dodraypete), Church premises, **5.45 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Bharatanatyam recital by Vidu. Surabhi Bharadwaj (San Fancisco, USA) along with her students Aditi, Kruthika Sarthavalli and Sanvi Veerabhadra, accompanied by Harshitha Vidya on vocal, Vid. D.V. Prasannakumar on natuvanga, Vid. Vinay Nagaranaj on mridanga and Vid. Pradesh Achar on violin, (Programme is in memory of Gowri Mirle and is sponsored by Ratna Vishwanath), Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Monthly Moonlight Music, Violin Duet by Vidwan Bombay V. Anand and Vidwan Vedagna Narasimha, accompanied by Vid. Anoor Vinod Shyam on mridanga and Vid. Sunaad Anoor on kanjira, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust:** Vocal Concert by Vidu. Girija Ravishankar with K. Mahatee on violin, Vid. M.S. Jayaram on mridanga and Vid. M.J. Kiran Kumar on ghata, Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha:** Annual day and Basava Jayanti, concert is in memory of Founding-Member and former Secretary of the Sabha, B.C. Rajagopal, vocal concert by Dr. Shertally K.N. Renganatha Sharma, accompanied by Vidu. Nalina Mohan on violin, Vid. Muruga Bhoopathi on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Vidyaganapati and Sri Mahalakshmi Temple Trust, Vinayakanagar:** 5th Annual Srinivasa Kalyanotsava, Vishnu Deepotsava, **6.30 pm;** Mahamangalarathi, Theertha-Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, **7.30 pm.**
- **Champaka Educational and Cultural Trust, Mysuru:** Champaka Devaalaya Kalaa Utsava - Jyeshtha Anka - Jyeshtha Shudda Chaturdashi, Keertana Lahari by Surabhi Ganakala Mandira, Saraswathipuram Centre, Mysuru, Shri Mahalakshmi Temple, near Netaji circle, Dattagalli, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 22)

- **Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), Mysuru Branch - Southern India Regional Council (SIRC):** Continuing Professional Education (CPE) programme titled 'Real Aspects of Real Estate,' Hotel Southern Star, Vinoba Road, **9 am to 5.30 pm.**
- **Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions (VVEI):** Presentation of Pratibha Puraskar, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala Correspondent Swami Yukteshananda chief guest, VVEI Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat presides, College auditorium, Saraswathipuram, **9.30 am.**
- **Parivarthana Ranga Samaja, Arivu Educational & Cultural Trust, Kutuhali, Kalasuruchi - Mysuru, tAcT - The Academy Trust, Guru Ranga Charitable Trust, Sanchalana - Bengaluru and Samatento - Mysuru:** Mysore Science Theatre Festival, Art & Mathematics Display, **4.30 pm;** Vijnana Geethegalu, **5.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Galileo's Daughter' (English language) by Parivarthana, Mysuru (Director: Prof. S.R. Ramesh), RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Vidyaganapati and Sri Mahalakshmi Temple Trust, Vinayakanagar:** 5th Annual Srinivasa Kalyanotsava, Sri Satyanarayanaswamy Puja, Divya Rathotsava, Temple premises, **5 pm.**
- **Sacred Heart Church, Yadavagiri:** Annual Church Feast-2024, Rosary, Holy Mass by Rev. Fr. J. Joseph Mari (Director, Catholic Centre, Mysuru), Church premises, **5.45 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** Sri T.V. Srinivasan Memorial Concert sponsored by Smt. and Sri Nagarajan Srnivasan, Karnatak Classical vocal concert by Vidu. Pusthakam Ramaa, accompanied by Vid. Keshava Mohan Kumar on violin, Vid. R. Adamya on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Ishtanathanandaji speaks on 'Atmabodha,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha:** Annual day and Basava Jayanti celebrations, vocal duet by Kanchana Sisters — Vidu. Kanchana S. Shriranjani and Vidu. Kanchana S. Shruthiranjani — accompanied by Vid. Udupi Srijith on violin, Vid. H.S. Sudheendra on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Kaushik on ghata, Navajyothi Auditorium, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**

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		9 pm, 10 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.35 am
Munjya (H)	:	1.45 pm, 4.30 pm, 10.20 pm
Chandu Champion (H)	:	1.55 pm
Thuppakki (Ta)	:	3.20 pm
Bahaddur (K)	:	5 pm
Love Li (K)	:	6.50 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	:	8.15 pm
The Exorcism (E)	:	10.30 pm

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Trailers Screening Show	:	10.15 am
Kotee (K)	:	10.20 am, 1.35 pm, 4.20 pm
	:	7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Ishq Vishk Rebound (H)	:	10.55 am, 4.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Ramesh Suresh (K)	:	11.20 am
Maharaja (Ta)	:	1.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Sambhavami Yuge Yuge (K)	:	1.20 pm
Desai (K)	:	2.05 pm
Aarata (K)	:	5.05 pm
Chilli Chicken (K)	:	7.45 pm
Chef Chidambara (K)	:	7.50 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	:	7.55 pm
Nadanna Sambhavam (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

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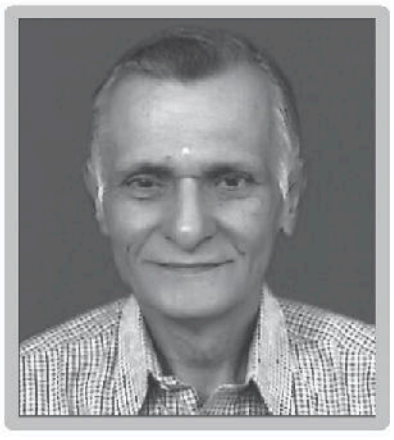

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